MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY

Tuesday, May 31, 2005

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer. Members absent/excused: Rep. Ward.

Representative Nofs moved to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2005 meeting. Representative Vander Veen supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4821 before the committee.

HB 4821 Mortimer

Health; medical records; definition of "review entity"; expand to include an organization established by a state association of pharmacists.

Representative Leslie Mortimer, sponsor of HB 4821, testified in support of the bill.

Greg Baran of the Michigan Pharmacists Association testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

David Nau of the Michigan Medication Safety Coalition testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Stacey Hettiger of the House Republican Policy Office testified on the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Orlene Christie of the Michigan Department of Community Health testified and indicated a neutral position on the bill at this time. Ms. Christie indicated that the department has concerns with the bill.

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 4821 with recommendation. Representative Kahn supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 12-0-4.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Gleason, Angerer.

Nays: None.

Pass: Reps. Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy.

Representative Vander Veen moved to excuse the absence of Representative Ward. Representative Robertson supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair_____

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